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## PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS.

### UNITED STATES.

#### *Quarantine proclamation by the governor of the State of Texas.*

Whereas, it has been made known to me by the State health officer that there is no longer necessity for the general quarantine against ports south of 25° north latitude as heretofore declared by proclamation,

Now, therefore, I, Joseph D. Sayers, governor of the State of Texas, do by authority vested in me by the constitution and laws of this State hereby revoke my proclamation of quarantine of April 15, 1902, imposing certain conditions upon all vessels from ports south of 25° north latitude and entering ports of this State, this proclamation to take effect on and after date hereof. Provided, that that portion of the proclamation of April 15, 1902, applying to the entrance into Texas ports of vessels infected with contagious diseases, such as yellow fever, cholera, typhus fever, smallpox, or bubonic plague, or having had either of said named diseases on shipboard within a period of twenty days prior to the arrival of such vessel at such Texas port, and vessels from ports infected with bubonic plague and cholera shall remain in full force. All such vessels are hereby prohibited from landing persons or things at any Texas port or place on the gulf coast of this State until permission to do so is obtained from the State health officer, or health officer of such port or places.

I furthermore declare quarantine on and after date hereof against any person or persons infected or liable to be infected with smallpox, yellow fever, cholera, typhus fever, or bubonic plague either within or without the State of Texas. And I hereby direct and authorize the health officers of counties and towns therein to establish local quarantines and to maintain the most rigid isolation of all such infected persons whenever and wherever discovered. The citizens of the State and all health authorities of cities and towns therein are earnestly requested to notify the State health officer of any outbreak of epidemic diseases, and to give to said officer any information that will promote the public health.

In testimony whereof, I hereunto sign my name and cause the seal of State to be affixed at the city of Austin, this the first day of November, A. D. 1902.

JOSEPH D. SAYERS,  
*Governor of Texas.*

By the Governor:

GEO. T. KEEBLE, *Chief Clerk, Acting Secretary of State.*

[Reports to the Surgeon-General Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service.]

*Epidemic measles among natives of Arctic regions of North America.*

DUTCH HARBOR, ALASKA, October 20, 1902.

SIR: I have the honor to report that I am informed from unofficial sources that measles in epidemic form prevails among the natives inhabiting the Arctic shores of North America in the vicinity of the mouth of the Mackenzie River. The captain of the whaling steamship *Alexander* reports that there have been about 100 deaths in several months. He has no idea as to the total number of inhabitants among whom these deaths have occurred. The captain of the vessel had had the measles several weeks before the vessel arrived here. The ordinary precautions had been observed. The vessel was not placed in quarantine, measles not being, according to regulations, a quarantinable disease, but the